

Calendar No. 594

104TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 2033**

To repeal requirements for unnecessary or obsolete reports from the
Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 2, 1996

Mr. JOHNSTON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and
referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 13, 1996

Reported by Mr. MURKOWSKI, with amendments

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “DOE Reports Elim-

5 nation and Streamlining Act of 1996”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPEALS AND MODIFICATIONS.**

2 (a) REPORTS ON INDUSTRIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY
3 PROGRAMS.—

4 (1) Section 132(d) of the Energy Policy Act of
5 1992 (42 U.S.C. 7349(d)) is amended by striking
6 “and annually thereafter,”.

7 (2) Section 133(c) of the Energy Policy Act of
8 1992 (42 U.S.C. 6350(c)) is amended by striking
9 “and biennially thereafter,”.

10 (b) STUDY AND REPORT ON VIBRATION REDUCTION
11 TECHNOLOGIES.—Section 173 of the Energy Policy Act
12 of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13451 note) is repealed.

13 (c) REPORTS ON POTENTIAL FINANCIAL INVEST-
14 MENTS BY ELECTRIC UTILITIES IN ELECTRIC BATTERIES
15 FOR MOTOR VEHICLES.—Section ~~825~~ 625 of the Energy
16 Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13295) is repealed.

17 (d) BIENNIAL REPORTS ON COAL RESEARCH, DE-
18 VELOPMENT, AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—Section
19 1301(d) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C.
20 13331(d)) is amended by striking “every two years there-
21 after for a period of 6 years” and inserting “not later than
22 6 years thereafter”.

23 (e) CHANGE OF UPDATES TO FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM
24 PLAN FOR ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLES TO A BIENNIAL
25 BASIS.—Section 2025(b)(4) of the Energy Policy Act of

1 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13435(b)(4)) is amended by striking
 2 “Annual” and inserting “Biennial”.

3 (f) BIENNIAL UPDATE TO NATIONAL ADVANCED MA-
 4 TERIALS INITIATIVE FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM PLAN.—Sec-
 5 tion 2201(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C.
 6 13501(b)) is amended by striking the last sentence.

7 (g) BIENNIAL REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
 8 ALASKA SWAP ACT.—Section 6(a) of the Alaska Federal-
 9 Civilian Energy Efficiency Swap Act of 1980 (40 U.S.C.
 10 795d) is repealed.

11 ~~(h) REPEAL OF UNCONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATIVE~~
 12 ~~VETO AND RELATED REPORT.~~—Section 54(a) of the
 13 Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2074(a)) is
 14 amended—

15 ~~(1) by striking the colon at the end of the first~~
 16 ~~proviso and inserting a period; and~~

17 ~~(2) by striking the second, third, and fourth~~
 18 ~~provises.~~

19 ~~(i)~~ (h) CONVERSION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON SCI-
 20 ENTIFIC DRILLING PROGRAM TO PERIODIC JOINT RE-
 21 PORT.—Section 4(6) of the Continental Scientific Drilling
 22 and Exploration Act (P.L. 100–441; 102 Stat. 1762) is
 23 amended to read as follows:

1 “(6) submitting to the Congress periodic joint
 2 reports on significant accomplishments of, and plans
 3 for, the drilling program.”

4 ~~(j)~~ (i) INCORPORATION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON
 5 STEEL AND ALUMINUM RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
 6 ACTIVITIES INTO THE PRESIDENT’S BUDGET.—Section 8
 7 of the Steel and Aluminum Conservation and Technology
 8 Competitiveness Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 5107) is amended
 9 to read as follows:

10 **“SEC. 8. REPORTS.**

11 “As part of the annual budget submission of the
 12 President under section 1105 of title 31, United States
 13 Code, the Secretary shall provide to Congress a description
 14 of research and development activities to be carried out
 15 under this Act during the fiscal year involved, together
 16 with such legislative recommendations as the Secretary
 17 may consider appropriate.”.

18 (k) INCORPORATION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON METAL
 19 CASTING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES
 20 INTO THE PRESIDENT’S BUDGET.—Section 10 of the
 21 DOE Metal Casting Competitiveness Research Act of
 22 1990 (15 U.S.C. 5309) is amended to read as follows:

23 **“SEC. 10. REPORTS.**

24 “As part of the annual budget submission of the
 25 President under section 1105 of title 31, United States

1 Code, the Secretary shall provide to Congress a description
 2 of research and development activities to be carried out
 3 under this Act during the fiscal year involved, together
 4 with such legislative recommendations as the Secretary
 5 may consider appropriate.”.

6 (l) CONVERSION OF NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY
 7 PLAN FROM BIENNIAL REPORT TO QUADRENNIAL RE-
 8 PORT.—Section 801(b) of the Department of Energy Or-
 9 ganization Act (42 U.S.C. 7321(b)) is amended by strik-
 10 ing “biennially” and inserting “every 4 years”.

11 (m) REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS FOR DOE OF-
 12 FICES NO LONGER IN EXISTENCE.—

13 ~~(1) OFFICE OF SUBSEA BED DISPOSAL RE-~~
 14 ~~SEARCH.—Section 224 of the Nuclear Waste Policy~~
 15 ~~Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10204) is repealed.~~

16 ~~(2) OFFICE OF ALCOHOL FUELS.—(A) (1) Sub-~~
 17 ~~title A of title II of the Energy Security Act (42~~
 18 ~~U.S.C. 8811 through 8821) is repealed.~~

19 ~~(B) (2) Any existing loan guarantee under sec-~~
 20 ~~tion 214 of the Energy Security Act shall remain in~~
 21 ~~effect until the loan is repaid; and the Department~~
 22 ~~of Energy shall continue to administer an existing~~
 23 ~~loan guarantee under section 214 as if subtitle A~~
 24 ~~had not been repealed.~~

1 ~~(C)~~ (3) The table of contents for the Energy
2 Security Act is amended by striking the item relat-
3 ing to subtitle A of title II and the matters relating
4 to sections 211 through 221.

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